

REMARKS

1. Election/Restriction

Applicant, through their attorneys, elects Group I, previously corresponding to claims 1-7 and 12-32, as set forth by the Examiner. Claims 8-11 previously corresponded to Group II. However, claim 8 has been now been amended to depend from independent claim 1 of Group I. Further, claims 29-32 have been cancelled by this amendment.


Accordingly, elected Group I now includes claims 1-28. Applicant submits that dependent claim 8 further limits the subject matter set forth in independent claim 1, as described below. If this grouping is not accepted by the Examiner, applicant elects original Group I less cancelled claims, to prosecute.

In that regard, independent claim 1 recites the electroacoustic transducer having a plane diaphragm and vibration-generating source for vibrating the diaphragm, and further recites that the diaphragm supports the vibration-generating source, and further recites the physical relationship and support mechanism between various portions of the transducer. Claim 8, now depending from claim 1, includes further limitations of the electroacoustic transducer of claim 1, such as a support mechanism for the transducer, namely the body case, and further includes limitations relating to physical placement of the transducer. As such, dependent claim 8 and claims depending from claim 8 narrow the scope of independent 1. Further, a search directed to Group I will include art suitable for examining newly dependent claim 8 and claims depending therefrom.

2. Closing Remarks

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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